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The Use of **PIDs** in Research Assessments

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Background – **OPEN** **RE**search **A**nalytics

In the OPERA project we:

Explore and review:

Opportunities and barriers to include Open Science and Open Access in research analytics

Identify:

the most relevant and promising indicators for data driven Open Science

Examine:

relevant quantitative indicators for the societal impact of research in the humanities and social sciences

Develop:

*Research analytics systems with **Open:***

- **Metrics**
- **Systems**
- **Software**
- **Code**
- **Tools for visualization and analysis**
- **Indicators for Research Assessment**

Reports and reviews soon to be published on <https://deffopera.dk>

Background – **OPEn REsearch Analytics**



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Part of OPERA: A WP that aims at developing Open metrics and Open systems for a university's research assessment on university and department level. While the data will be traditional licensed bibliographic and bibliometric data, the concepts, metrics and system software will all be open, documented and freely available for reuse – including the adaptation to other data sets.

Research Analytics Platform – Assessment Module
(RAP Research Assessment)

Research Assessments Today

Research assessment at universities is often a combination of quantitative analytical metrics and qualitative judgement by scientific peers.

- To generate and communicate such metrics well is quite a task – very human resource intensive.

For example

- At DTU, we only generate certain in-depth metrics for researchers, their groups and departments, every five years – when a department is up for research assessment by international expert peers of its field.

Based on data from closed and commercial vendors

Based on advanced but very static author/affiliation searches

Hierarchical approach – management checks publication lists

DISCLAIMER

From the
perspective
of a technical
university

Responsible Research Assessments – it starts with **data!**

Be open and transparent by providing data and methods used to calculate all metrics

[DORA, San Francisco Declaration on Research Assessment](#)

The range of data sources and indicators available to practitioners are constantly changing (...)

[Introducing SCOPE – a process for evaluating responsiby \(The Bibliomagician\)](#)

Data sources should be clearly understood, accurate, up to date and have sufficient coverage for the purpose intended

[Principle for the use of indicators in research assessment and management, St. Andrews University](#)

Allow those evaluated to verify data and analysis

[Leiden Manifesto for Research Metrics, Principle 5](#)

How underlying data are collected and processed – and the extent to which they remain open to interrogation – is crucial.

[The Metric Tide](#)

RAP Research Assessment – motivation

A shift from name/affiliation search to relying on PID's

A shift from a very human resource intensive task, to a more automated one

Engage the researchers in the research assessment process – giving them the control (somewhat) back

Making research assessment more flexible and hereby meeting the different needs of various scopes and stakeholders

Opening up the assessments and making them more researcher-centric. Hence meet the data requirements of responsible metrics

A more sustainable approach to research assessments also allocates resources to meet other perspectives of research assessment and impact

RAP Research Assessment – PID motivation

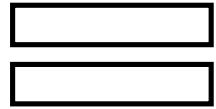
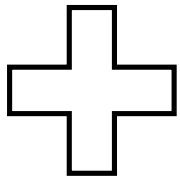
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Dynamic Research Assessments – bottom up data?



A University Research Analytics Platform

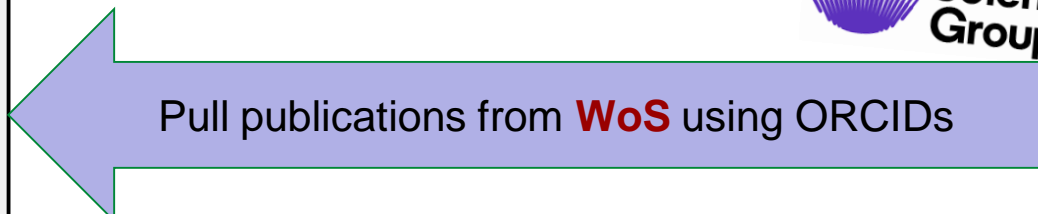
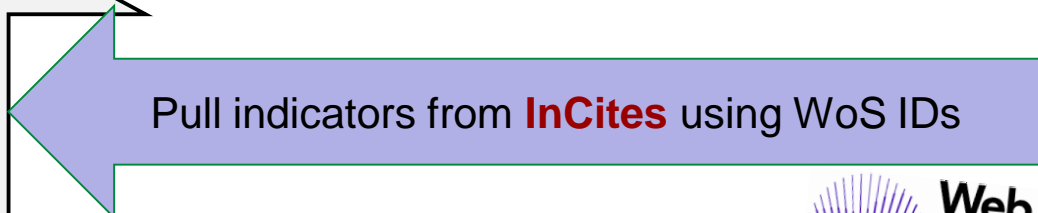
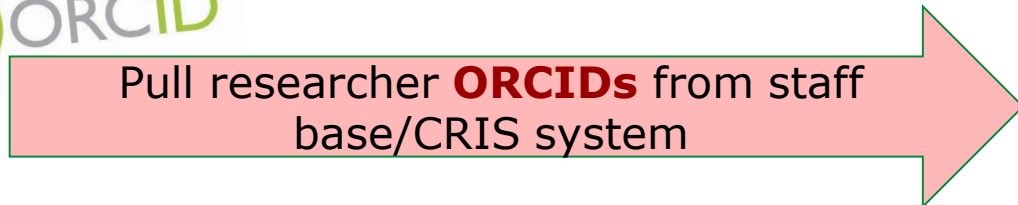
Creating an assessment module where the researcher is involved more directly

- To do assessment metrics **well**, you must build them bottom-up
 - From publication lists of individual researchers
 - **Author identity challenge**
 - Adding knowledge of the university's research organization
 - **Organizational dynamics challenge**
- To do such metrics with **integrity**, you must comply with the Leiden Manifesto
 - Principle 5: *Allow those evaluated to verify data and analysis*

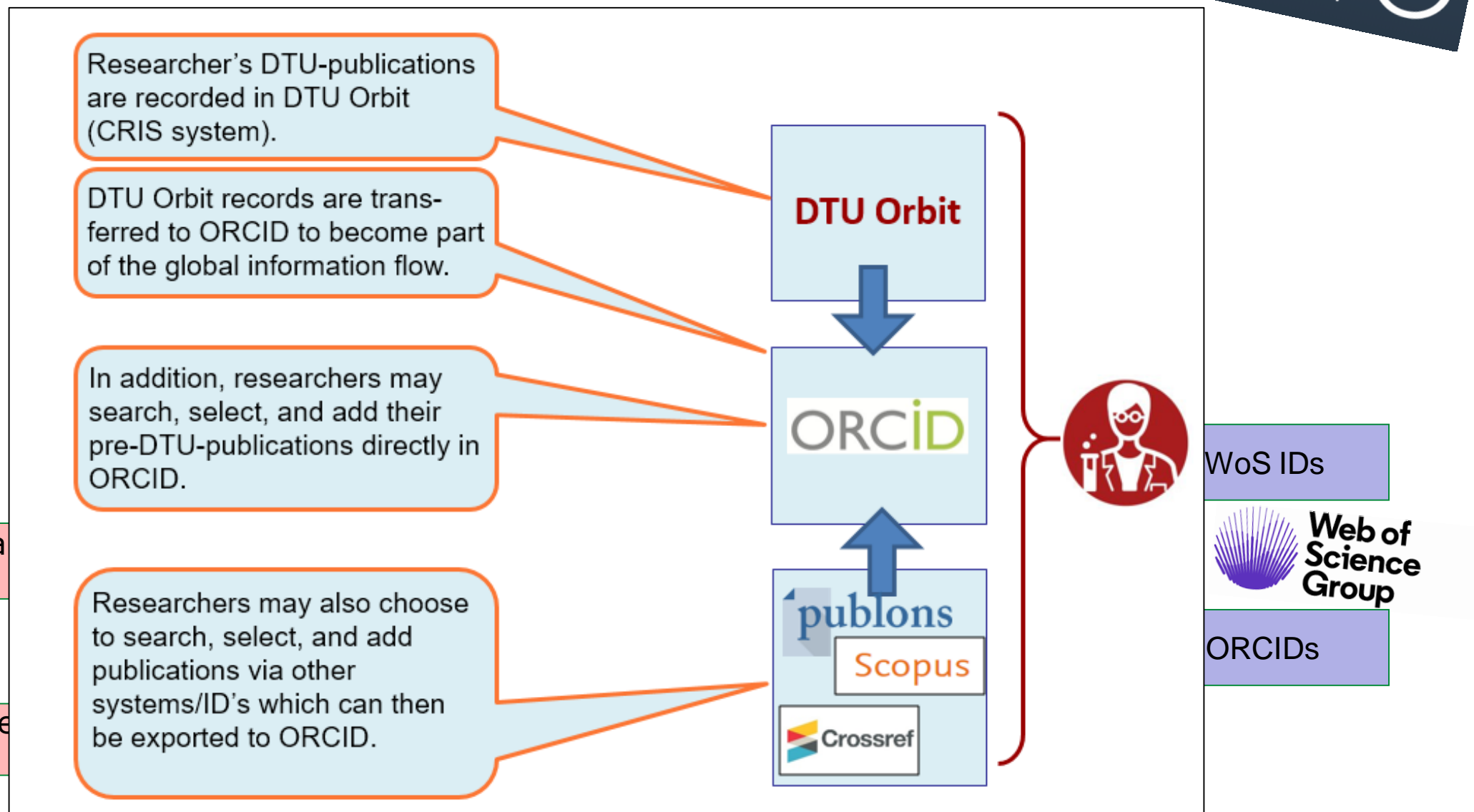


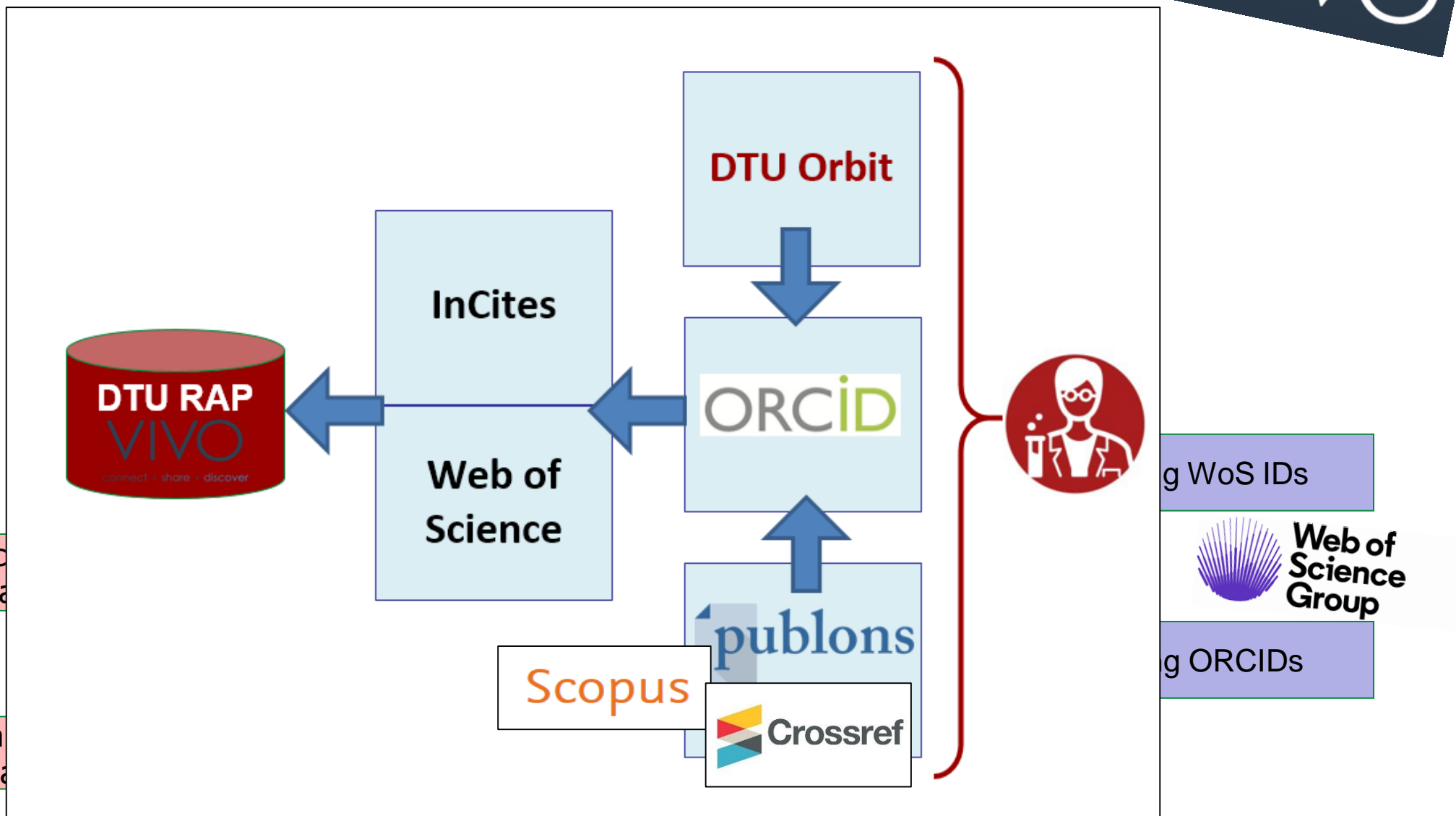
➔ Here's what we're planning for the next year

RAP Research Assessment – setup



RAP Research Assessment – setup (ORCID)





How could **RAP Research Assessment** look like?

→ Looking at researchers

Researcher C (Name + Surname)

ORCID: 0000-0003-2738-0325

Email: c@dtu.dk

Current employee ☒

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DTU affiliation year by year

2020 : [DTU Physics](#) - [Quantum Physics and Information Technology](#) – Section leader, Professor

2019 : [DTU Physics](#) - [Quantum Physics and Information Technology](#) – Professor

2018 : [DTU Physics](#) - [Radiation Physics](#) – Professor

2017 : [DTU Chemistry](#) - [Molecular Materials](#) – Associate Professor

Publication Output Summary

201

Article

21

Review

5

Proc. Paper

1

Other



Access Control

Indicators/Metrics

Publications	Year of 1st Pub.	Citations	Cit./Publ.	Cit./Year	H-index	% of Int. Collab.	% of OA publ.

Takes you to the publications page defined by the particular researcher

[Publications](#)

Document type: Article ☒ Review ☒ Proceedings paper ☒ Abstracts ☒ Corrections ☒ Other ☒

How could **RAP Research Assessment** look like?

→ Looking at Departments/Sections

Department A

[Researchers](#)

[Sections](#)

[Section A](#)

[Section B](#)

Takes you to the Researchers module defined by the particular department

Takes you to the sections page

[Download](#)

Publication Output and Impact Summary - Department

From 2015 – 2020

Department/ Section	Scientific Staff Included	Publications 2015-2019	Citations 2015-now	Simple Citation Impact	Normalised Citation Impact	Publications in Top 10% (Proportion)	Publications in Top 1% (Proportion)	% of International Publications	% of OA Publications	ETC.
Department X	117	914	16.402	17,9	1,43	19,5%	2,1%	56,0%	40,0%	N/A
Section A	14	79	1.124	14,2	1,32	15,8%	N/A	20,0%	54,0%	N/A
Section B	12	113	1.791	15,8	1,49	23,9%	N/A	45,0%	9,0%	N/A
Section C	23	106	946	8,9	0,96	6,7%	N/A	14,0%	8,0%	N/A
Section D	16	207	2.018	9,7	1,04	10,2%	N/A	98,0%	7,0%	N/A
Section E	12	199	2.273	11,4	1,22	8,0%	N/A	63,0%	98,0%	N/A
Section F	10	116	1.186	10,2	1,16	9,0%	N/A	58,0%	45,0%	N/A
Section G	8	127	724	5,7	0,86	6,0%	N/A	78,0%	50,0%	N/A

Takes you to the publications page defined by the particular department

[Publications](#)

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How could **RAP Research Assessment** look like?

→ Looking at the University

DTU - Publication Summary

20.871	1.450	4.509	567
Article	Review	Proc. Paper	Other

Makes it possible to take you from the university overview page to a defined department overview page instead

- Entire university
- Entire university
- Centre for Oil and Gas - DTU
- DTU Aqua
- DTU Bioengineering
- DTU Bioinformatics
- DTU Biosustain
- DTU Business

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Publication Output and Impact Summary – All Departments

Department	WoS publications 2014-2018	Simple citation impact	Normalized citation impact	In top 10 % most cited	In top 1 % most cited
DTU (Baseline)	15.929	14,8	1,52	18,3	2,3
Department A	1.034	12,2	1,65	21,1	2,4
Department B	756	14,8	1,67	18,8	3,0
Department C	781	25,2	2,42	29,6	4,6
Department D	547	12,5	1,27	18,8	2,6
Department E	44	10,8	1,71	25,0	4,5
Department F	1.039	10,8	1,55	16,7	1,6
Department G	890	12,1	1,38	17,4	1,7
Department H	963	17,7	1,20	15,2	1,3
Department I	983	17,0	1,71	21,7	3,3
Department J	849	21,4	1,70	22,6	2,4
Department K	984	15,9	1,74	21,6	4,2
Department L	720	12,6	1,41	10,3	1,5
Department M	1.045	13,6	1,13	14,1	0,9
Department N	822	11,5	1,36	19,1	1,0
Department O	1.042	11,3	1,26	14,7	1,6
Department P	884	16,2	1,52	22,4	2,6
Department Q	242	16,9	1,21	15,3	0,8
Department R	305	8,4	1,16	12,8	1,6
Department S	517	18,4	1,72	18,4	2,9
Department T	601	11,9	1,07	12,8	0,8

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RAP Research Assessment – where are we now?

1st test on selected departments:

- ORCID – coverage in Web of Science
- ORCID – identification and grouping of possible issues

2nd test looking in to indicators from InCites/API options

- Load data and see how we can work with the data in the RAP Assessment system

Test of ORCID search via WoS API vs. manual search in WoS	
Publication Year:	All Years
Organization-Enhanced:	All Organizations
Overview Tab:	
Creates an overview of the total no. of publications, citations and (if possible) h-index per ORCID requested.	
OI=ORCID	
ORCID Tabs:	
Each 'ORCID Tab' represents a publication list found via the API for each ORCID represented in the 'Overview Tab'.	
AU=Authors	
TI=Title	
SO=Source (journal title)	
DT=Document Type	
C1=Address	
OI=ORCID	
TC=Times Cited (in WoS Core Collection)	
PY=Publication Year	
DI=DOI	
UT=Accession Number	

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Results when looking at the departments being evaluated in 2019:

- Retrieving a researcher's publications using ORCID gives the same result using the Web of Science UI as the Web of Science API.
- ORCID searches using the Web of Science API covers approx. **90%** of the publication found by using advanced name- and affiliation searches in the Web of Science UI
- Most missing results is because an ORCID profile is empty or incomplete (researcher motivation is important!)
- Synchronization issues between ORCID→Web of Science is often because of poor metadata in ORCID or bad title match between the two systems

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Each 'C
AU=Au
TI=Title
SO=Sol
DT=Do
C1=Ad
OI=OR
TC=Tim
PY=Pub
DI=DO
UT=Ac

RAP Research Assessment – advantages

Researcher advantages of metrics based on ORCIDs:

- Publication lists reflect the researcher's self-maintained list in ORCID.org
- Researcher involvement/control - Leiden Manifesto compliance
- Publication lists are not the result of complicated/expert searching, which depends on the skills (or lack thereof) of an individual administrator – and rarely come out the same, if done by different individuals
- Publication list derived metrics become similar/comparable, no matter who does them and no matter where they are done (towards global validity)

System advantages of metrics based on ORCIDs:

- ORCID-searching may be automated without loss of precision

RAP Research Assessment – challenges

Researcher challenges of metrics based on ORCIDs:

- Researchers will have to actively choose to update their ORCID (and understand how!) – which makes researcher encouragement essential
- ORCID profile and data has to be public in order to be adapted to other systems
- Lack of ‘search control’ and modifications – better possibility of ‘gaming’ or disrupting the data basis?
- Sustainability in PID – will some of the problems we see with author search transpire into PID searches?

System challenges of metrics based on ORCIDs:

- Synchronization between different commercial vendors and ORCID.org – and who is responsible?
- Could create a even more so a distance between the researcher being evaluated and the ‘evaluator’ – could it become efficiency over customization?

... A LOT more – let's interact!

Go to: PolEv.com/nikolinedohm030



Do you think PIDs could improve Research Assessments?



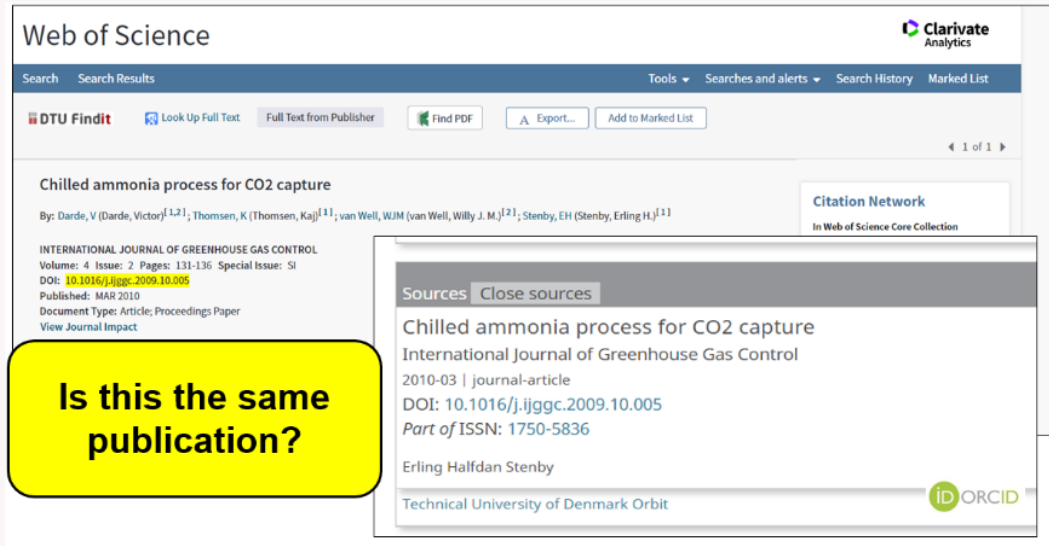
How to best motivate researchers into maintaining their ORCID?

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	5	<div></div>	Integrate into PDR / annual revo
	4	<div></div>	Train them first then explain cost of not doing it
	4	<div></div>	Show clear benefits, how their information is connected
	3	<div></div>	By showing the benefits
<div></div>	2	<div></div>	do it for them - automate
	2	<div></div>	Personal evaluation / tenure
	2	<div></div>	Abolish research gate
	2	<div></div>	Best motivation: members to build integrations that allow to import or export data

	2	<div></div>	Tenure and systems using ORCID
	2	<div></div>	demonstrate value through practical examples that contextually resonate with the researcher / domain / context
	1	<div></div>	It will be less work once you start
	1	<div></div>	Show them the cool things you can do with PIDs / PID Graph
	1	<div></div>	More integrations at organizations! So the benefits are clear for them
<div></div>	0	<div></div>	integration with their preferred profile provider
	0	<div></div>	cookies
	0	<div></div>	Automatic update.

Is this the same publication?



The screenshot shows a Web of Science search result for the publication "Chilled ammonia process for CO2 capture". The title is highlighted in yellow. Below the title, the authors are listed: "By: Darde, V (Darde, Victor)^{1,2,1}; Thomsen, K (Thomsen, Kaj)^{1,1}; van Well, WJM (van Well, Willy J. M.)^{2,1}; Stenby, EH (Stenby, Erling H.)^{1,1}". The journal information is also visible: "INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF GREENHOUSE GAS CONTROL", "Volume: 4, Issue: 2, Pages: 131-136, Special Issue: SI", "DOI: 10.1016/j.ijggc.2009.10.005", "Published: MAR 2010", "Document Type: Article; Proceedings Paper", and "View Journal Impact". A yellow box with the text "Is this the same publication?" is overlaid on the screenshot.

YES

95%

NO

5%

How do we ensure that the commercial vendors integrate and keep the synergy with open and non-profit PIDs?

“Work closely to them, review their integration regularly, to guarantee best practices and best use”

“Support them continuously.”

“Demonstrations”

“Negotiation”

“Demonstrate for it!”

“why is non-profit necessary?”

“Make it the best option available”

“Organize a national referendum”

“If supporting these for local use is a valued service, show your willingness to pay.”

“Pressure”

“Pay them”

“Universities and research institutes have to request it!!!!”

“report a bug”

“engage the community - bottm up”

“Celebrating those that do shaming those that dont (good/bad publicity)”

“Steal their devs for VIVO”

“incentivize the right behavior”

“Show community demand - they won't pay for things that do less than competitor”

Thank you!



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